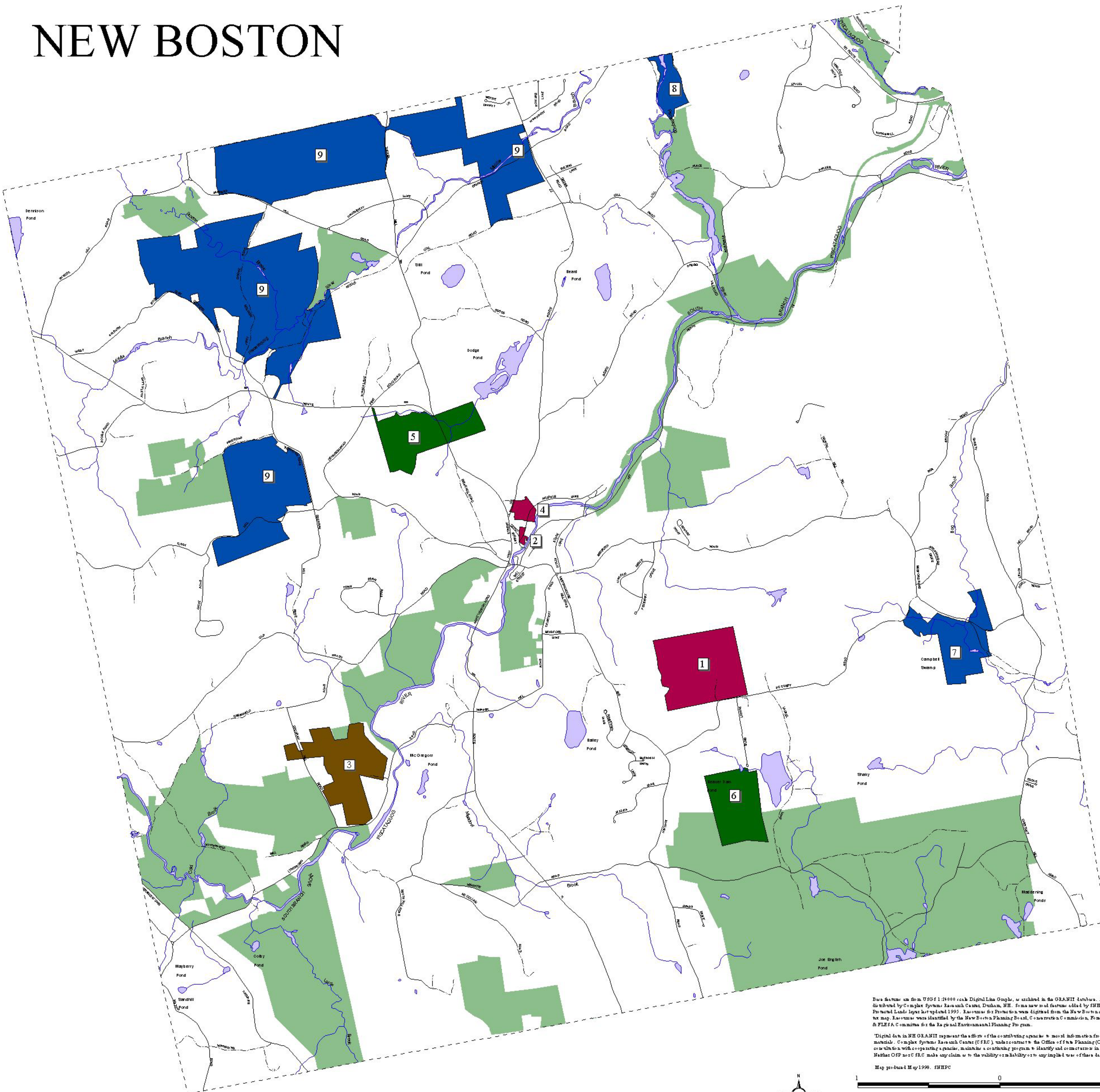


NEW BOSTON

Regional Environmental Planning Program:

Natural & Cultural Resources Identified for Protection



- (1) Current day Tax Map/Lot #11/105 is the only remaining lot in Town that has not been subdivided or developed since the Town was originally divided into lots by the Masonian proprietors in 1751. It contains the cellarhole and foundation remnants of the original dwelling of New Boston's first minister, Rev. Solomon Moore. This property currently has significant value under each of the categories of natural, cultural and historical resources. 180 acres
- (2) The Depot - This property is the location of the former railroad station, which has both historical and architectural significance. The property is situated along the Piscataquog River giving it significant value as a natural resource area to the Town. The property is located in a flood hazard area and in the area of a stratified drift aquifer. For these reasons, the best use of the site is deemed to be a low impact use. 3 acres
- (3) This area of town is missing only two critical parcels in order to complete a connected greenway from the town center all the way to the Lyndeborough and Mont Vernon town lines. The parcels are currently undeveloped. This greenbelt connection would provide for the preservation of the natural resources and aesthetic value of the area, as well as providing for passive recreational activities in this quadrant of the town. Portions of these properties are also identified as having low to very low development capabilities based on substantial wetlands in the area. 15 acres
- (4) Cement Bams - As identified in the Town's Master Plan, the river, the railroad and Whipple Farms were among the forces that helped shape New Boston's history. Many of the buildings and sites forged by these influences remain in existence today. One particular set of buildings are known as "The Cement Bams". These buildings, almost totally unchanged from their original condition, are located on land that runs from Route 77 south and east to the South Branch of the Piscataquog River. This area is included in or proximate to the main stratified drift aquifer that runs through the center of town. This property has significant value under each of the categories of natural, cultural and historical resources. 13 acres
- (5) Route 136 Farmland - One of the Town's goals is to preserve valuable farmland as well as areas along the major travel corridors that contribute to the rural character of the Town. The area indicated here represents a focal point along Route 136. On one side of the road is an old farmhouse surrounded by fields and on the other side of the road is open to more fields. These properties contain soils which are designated as Farmland of State-wide importance. 140 acres
- (6) Joe English Hill - This parcel of land is perched at the end of the newly developed Summit Dr. cul de sac. The property includes a portion of Joe English Hill. The scenic value of the area, the passive recreational opportunities available at this site, make it a candidate for preservation. This property is bordered on the east by Beaver Dam Pond, from which it rises to its peak and includes some steep slopes which the Town would prefer not to see developed. 68 acres
- (7) Bog Brook/Campbell Swamp Corridor - The Town owns a strip of land through which Bog Brook flows. One of the preservation goals of the Town is to connect the Bog Brook area to the Campbell Swamp, aka Mary Campbell Pond. As Bog Brook heads for the swamp there is a set of falls named Indian Falls, which contributes to the value of this area. The Bog Brook watershed is discussed and identified in the Town's Water Resource Management Plan. The subject area is located over a stratified drift aquifer, contains wetlands and steep slopes and is within a flood hazard area. This area of town has seen the most of the development pressure from the last decades up until the present. 150 acres
- (8) River Corridor - Currently, there is a protected corridor along the Middle Branch of the Piscataquog River, starting from the confluence with the South Branch, running north to the Weare town line, with the exception of the area indicated. The Town's goal would be to continue this corridor to the Weare-New Boston town line and to look into any preservation areas within the Town of Weare that could be considered for future connections as well. 41 acres
- (9) Great Meadows Corridor - One of the goals of the Town is to connect the Great Meadows to the south-western and central (along the Middle Branch) conservation corridors. The properties included are numerous, however, potentially invaluable in effecting these connections and preserving the natural, cultural, historic, and scenic resources associated with these areas. 1254 acres

The numbers given to sites are used only for identification and do not indicate any form of prioritization.

Legend

- Political Boundary
- Major Highway
- Secondary Highway
- Road or Street
- Unimproved Road
- Water Bodies
- Protected Lands* & Undeveloped Town Owned Lands

Resources Identified for Preservation

- Ecological Resources
- Historic & Cultural Resources
- Land, Forestry & Agricultural Resources
- Water Resources

* Protected Lands - Land protected from development through conservation easement, restrictions, or outright ownership by an organization or agency whose mission includes protecting land in perpetuity, more than 50% of area will remain undeveloped.

